



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill #	HB0269	Title:	Revise weed laws/transfer funds to noxious weed management trust
Primary Sponsor:	Rice, Diane	Status:	Second Reading, Second House

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trust	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0

Description of fiscal impact:

This bill provides for a transfer of \$5 million from the general fund to the noxious weed management trust fund established in 80-7-811, MCA. The transfer is a one-time-only transfer of funds.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Agriculture (AGR)

1. On July 1, 2007 a one-time-only transfer will be made from the general fund to the noxious weed permanent trust fund.

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>				
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Transfers	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Trust	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>				
General Fund (01)	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trust	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Effect on County or Other Local Revenues or Expenditures:

1. Increased dollars in the noxious weed management trust fund will increase interest available to the AGR for weed management. Additional dollars will result in additional grants to county weed districts, local governments, Indian Reservations, and researchers for development of community cooperative weed management programs and new and innovative noxious weed management, education, or research projects to improve weed control in Montana.

Long-Range Impacts:

1. The principal of the noxious weed management trust fund in excess of \$10 million may be appropriated by a majority vote of each house of the legislature. Appropriations of the principal in excess of \$10 million may be used only to fund the noxious weed management program per 80-7-814(3), MCA.

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